

many people trace their roots to settlers from The Netherlands. Generations of Dutch immigrants have enriched the United States with the unique customs and traditions of their ancestral homeland—a country that has given the world great artists, celebrated philosophers, and leaders of international business.

On this occasion, we also remember many celebrated American leaders of Dutch descent. Three Presidents, Martin Van Buren, Theodore Roosevelt, and Franklin D. Roosevelt, came from Dutch stock. Arthur Vandenberg, who after World War II played a crucial role in the development of our bipartisan foreign policy, the strategy of containment, and the establishment of NATO, also traced his roots to The Netherlands.

Our Dutch heritage is seen not only in our people but also in our experience as a Nation. Our traditions of religious freedom and tolerance, for example, have spiritual and legal roots among such early settlers as the English Pilgrims and the French Huguenots, who first found refuge from persecution in Holland. The Dutch Republic was also among those systems of government that inspired our Nation's Founders as they shaped our Constitution.

In celebration of the long-standing friendship that exists between the United States and The Netherlands, and in recognition of the many contributions that Dutch-Americans have made to our country, the Congress, by House Joint Resolution 177, has designated November 16, 1991, as "Dutch-American Heritage Day" and has authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim November 16, 1991, as Dutch-American Heritage Day. I encourage all Americans to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and sixteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

Proclamation 6376 of November 15, 1991

National Philanthropy Day, 1991

*By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation*

Public philanthropy has long been a hallmark of American life. The earliest settlers in this country were people of great faith and conviction, and they well understood the Biblical injunction to extend kindness and hospitality to others. Yet the spirit of voluntary association and giving was not only a virtue but also a practical necessity for those residing on the frontier.

Today, even with the best efforts of Federal, State, and local government, voluntary service remains essential to solving our Nation's most serious social problems. Accordingly, concerned and generous Americans are engaged in voluntary activities that range from providing job training and employment for the homeless to protecting the environment, preventing disease, assisting parents of needy families, and encouraging young people to stay in school.

Last year, Americans contributed more than \$100 billion in support of charitable organizations and activities. However, public philanthropy is not just about money. Millions of Americans—people of every age, race, and walk of life—give of their time and their talents in voluntary community service. These "Points of Light" are helping to supply food and clothing for the needy; they are promoting important advances in biomedical research; and they are providing vital support to schools, churches, hospitals, museums, and a host of other institutions. These Americans are demonstrating that you don't have to be wealthy to be a philanthropist, you just have to care.

In grateful recognition of all those who conduct and support the work of our Nation's charitable organizations, the Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 96, has designated November 19, 1991, as "National Philanthropy Day" and has authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim November 19, 1991, as National Philanthropy Day. I encourage the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fifteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and sixteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

Proclamation 6377 of November 20, 1991

National Farm-City Week, 1991

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Each Thanksgiving, when we Americans count our many blessings, among the first to come to mind is the abundance of high-quality foods that we enjoy. The quantity and variety of goods that fill our Nation's grocery stores are unparalleled—a shining testament to the ingenuity and productivity of the American farmer. Yet while U.S. farmers are the most enterprising and efficient in the world, millions of other people in both urban and rural communities play important roles in the production and distribution of U.S. agricultural goods. During National Farm-City Week, we salute all of these hardworking Americans.

Our Nation's farmers are assisted in their efforts by millions of people, many of whom work in urban areas—researchers who develop im-